

Application No. 10/658,609
 Second Suppl. Preliminary Amend. dated September 8, 2005

REMARKS

Claims 1-68 have been canceled without prejudice to filing in a later application. Claims 69-111 have been previously presented in a Supplemental Preliminary Amendment filed on July 22, 2005. New claims 112-136 are added. Claims 69-136 are now pending.

Support for new claim 113-114 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 16, lines 41-48.

Support for claim 115 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, column 6, lines 41-42.

Support for claim 116 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 19, line 34.

Support for claim 117 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, column 16, lines 21-25.

Support for claim 118 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 19, line 62.

Support for claim 119 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 21, lines 51-56.

Support for claim 120 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 17, lines 16-17.

Support for claim 123 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 19, line 34, and at column 21, line 55.

Support for claim 124 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 19, line 34.

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Support for claim 125 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 16, lines 21-25.

Support for claim 126 appears in 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 21, line 55.

Support for claim 127 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 17, line 16-17.

Support for claims 129-136 appears in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131, now Patent No. 6,670,113, for example, at column 19, lines 28-67, and at column 20, lines 1-10.

For the claims not specified above, support can be found in corresponding claims as originally filed in the parent application serial No. 09/822,131.

As indicated above, the newly submitted claims 112-136 do not contain new matter. Entry of this Second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment prior to examination on the merits is therefore respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that the pending claims are in condition for allowance, and respectfully solicit the Examiner to expedite prosecution of this patent application to issuance. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, including petition fees and extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-2415 (Docket No. 6270-705.501).

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